**Name of event**: Research talk on 'Aspirations of Poor Children and Factors Affecting Aspirations'

Category: Research talk

Organising Unit: Research Subcommittee in collaboration with IQAC of RKSMVV

Date: 23 February, 2024

Time: 2:45 to 3:45 pm

Venue: Room no.8

Number of participants: 20 faculties

Name of resource person: Bisaka Blone, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, RKSMVV

## **Brief description of the event**:

The talk was based on the research project that the speaker Bisaka Blone had undertaken in 2020 which was based on the aspirations of poor children and its link with poverty. The speaker started her talk by talking about how aspirations are not personal, but are very much influenced by the kind of socio-economic status and culture one is born into. She mentioned how aspirations and poverty are deeply linked in a self-sustaining trap where poverty results in failed aspirations and failed aspirations in turn keep poor people stuck in poverty never aiming for anything more in life because it is thought as achievable for them.

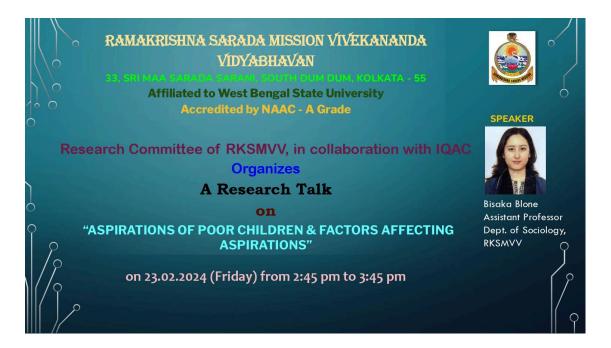
The objectives of her research were as follows:

- To find out the aspirations of poor children
- To find out the social factors influencing their aspirations
- To explore the relationship between poverty and aspirations

Then she mentioned her methodology and the findings from her research which she had done in three slum areas of Siliguri. The talk ended with an open discussion.

## **Programme outcome:**

It was an interesting talk and it gave rise to the awareness of how aspirations may also be a factor resulting in poverty and how we must give thought to it when dealing with matters of poverty eradication. It resulted in discussion and insights and ended on a good note.



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